MINUTES CITY OF PLEASANTON COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT January 23, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Energy and Environment was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members: Chair Thomas Kato, Sophia Holbrook, Steve Motzko, Robert Jayson,

Mark Posson and Brett Illers

Absent: Howard Royer

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Opening remarks by Chair, Thomas Kato.

- 2. The October 24, 2012 meeting minutes were approved by Posson, seconded by Motzko. All were in favor.
- 3. Climate Action Plan implementation Update:

Brian Dolan, Pleasanton's Director of Community Development, stated that the City has hired Debra Diamond to work on Climate Action Plan (CAP) and housing element implementation plans. Brian added that a lot of CAP measures fall within CDD's area of responsibility.

Brian provided a handout that lists every CAP measure assigned to his Department. He explained that his department is using a standardized CAP checklist to review all new projects to ensure that they are compliant with our CAP. In the future, the city's municipal code will include the CAP requirements, which will simplify the process.

Determine Committee Objectives for 2013 Council Priorities:
 Daniel Smith shared that the new City Council has asked each committee to focus on one or two council priorities for 2013.

Daniel reviewed the priorities with the committee, providing updates on actions to date, and suggested areas of focus for 2013 for consideration. After some discussion, the committee agreed on two priorities: (1) CAP implementation, and (2) Water Use and Reuse.

A motion was made to adopt CAP implementation and Water Use and Reuse as the two Energy and Environment Committee's objectives for 2013 were approved by Kato, seconded by Motzko. All were in favor.

5. Draft Climate Action Plan Status Report:

Laura Ryan is preparing the annual CAP status report for Council review at the March council meeting. The report will include 2010 greenhouse gas inventory results, progress made toward reaching CAP targets, and other significant efforts. Laura will provide the committee with a draft before taking it to council.

Recently, ICLEI completed a 2010 greenhouse gas emissions inventory for Pleasanton. In general, we are doing well in all measures, except for transportation. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority changed the way vehicle miles traveled is calculated, and also includes modes of public transportation that pass through Pleasanton. Because of this change, and inherent double counting that occurs, the transportation emissions for 2010 are greater than our baseline year of 2005.

ICLEI's inventory was based primarily on energy data obtained by PG&E, and did not take into consideration allowable credit for state measures.

The City is doing very well in regard to energy efficiency. Pleasanton is ranked #7 in the State for residential solar installations, and our rebate program was tremendously successful in helping residents take that next step.

6. Sub-committee Report Out:

Thomas Kato shared information about the City's Landscape Design Group. The group is working on guidelines for the residential and business community, including Hacienda Business Park, to reduce water use. The group meets the 4th Thursday of every month, at the OSC.

Steve Motzko attended the East Pleasanton's Specific Plan public forum at Mohr Elementary School recently. Their focus was on gathering ideas to establish a vision. The December meeting was to plan and project an environmental baseline report. New City Council member, Karla Brown, will be replaced on the committee and a 19th member will be added. The next meeting will be February 7, 2013.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Tonight was Mark Posson's last evening as a committee member. Mark has accepted an appointment on the City's Planning Commission. Everyone thanked Mark for a job well done. Mark shared that he enjoyed working with the committee from its onset and hopes to work with the committee on his new venture.

Tonight newly appointed members Robert Jayson and Brett Illers were in attendance. Both will be officially sworn in at the next city council meeting.

Rob Jayson shared that he has lived in Pleasanton for 20 years now. He works in Fremont, has a history in semi-conductors, in HP, Solendra, and currently works at an LED company. He is well versed in clean and renewable energy.

Brett Illers shared that he's lived in Pleasanton since 2005. He has been a sustainability consultant since 1999. He's an expert in renewable generation, traditional and cutting edge technology. He's currently working with Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory on a solar project.

MATTERS INITIATED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

At the next committee meeting, define tangible objectives to support Council priorities. Appoint a Vice-Chair person at the March meeting.

REPORTS ON CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Sophia attended an environmental council meeting in San Diego recently. She will be working with the state senators' office on a project soon.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. *Motion by Kato, seconded by Posson. All were in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dora Lozano